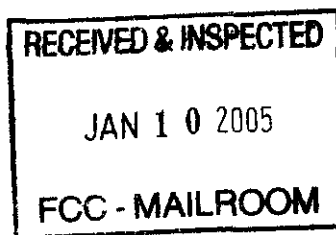


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December 27, 2004

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St. S.W.
Washington, DC 20054

Dear Commissioners,

Please do not allow cell phones to be used on airplanes. I sat next to a businessman, on my last flight, who was addicted to his phone. His signal was breaking up so his remedy was to talk loudly. The flight attendant had to ask him to quit using the phone. On the ground we can walk away from these rude, inconsiderate jerks. In the air we are trapped. I think it will lead to air rage. Just say no.

Sincerely,

Richard R. Olsen

December 26, 2004

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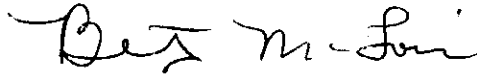
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RE: Cell Phone on flights

I just had a 5 hour forced layover on trip from California to Washington State.
EVERYBODY who waited spent their time on their cell phones. Almost drove me crazy.

PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW CELL PHONES ON THE PLANE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I just
won't fly with people on cell phones without getting upset.

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To whom it may concern,

Please do NOT lift the cellphone ban usage while in flight. People

on the most part do NOT want to hear someone's plans, problems etc.

discussed publicly & loudly. Cellphones

in public are rude & too loud other

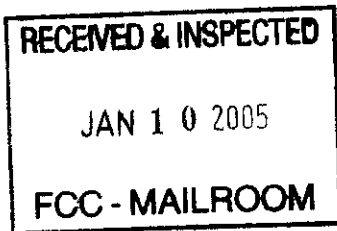
people's privacy is invaded by people

stating their conversation is all impor-

ant. Thank you for the consideration

& happy New Year.

Mary Nguyen



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January 3, 2005

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PLEASE:

Keep the ban in place on cell phone use on airlines!

*Essentially nobody can't wait until they are on the ground to make a call! It is an infringement of MY rights to have to listen to someone's private business while I am "captive" in my airline seat. Bad enough in supermarkets when I can get away from this rude person!
Thank you!*

Doris G. Dahmen

Doris G. Dahmen

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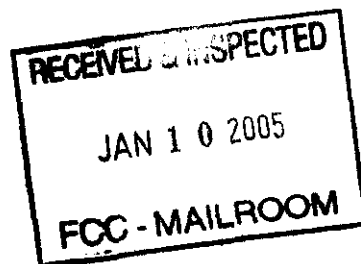
Please continue the Ban on cell phone use, while aboard your planes. I don't care what personal or business the folks around me (or my own loved one's) have to say. I don't need my flight time infringed upon. We pay for our space, that should include quiet air space.

The Pizza odor, the hamburger smell, the 1/2 eaten donut, is enough already - Please (give us), let us keep the silent cell phone.

Mrs. Pat Jackson
4465 Boca Way #137
Reno NV 89502

Written while in FL for Xmas. Happy Holiday.

December 27, 2004



Dear Sir;

You have to be kidding! Cell phones on airplanes? I have been flying for over thirty years for business reasons and have developed the fine art of NEVER talking to my seat partner and I do mean never. This is my time to write in my journal, read, meditate and just simply think without any interruptions or "shoulds". The very thought of someone next to me talking on their cell phone, sharing with the world their problems, investments, or jokes makes me consider early retirement.

There are all types of pollution and cell phone useage is right up there close to the top of my list.

Please register my objection to this proposal.

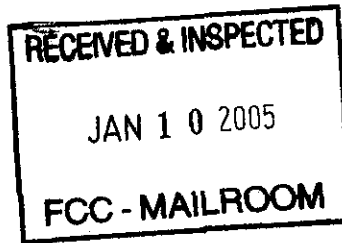
Yours truly,

Anita Luvera Mayer

Anita Luvera Mayer
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December 27, 2004

Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D. C. 20054



Gentlemen:

My ears are already ringing and my blood pressure is rising fast. I could not believe my ears when I heard that the FCC is considering allowing the use of cell phones on airplane flights.

Please, what are you thinking, or are you even thinking? Imagine if you will that you are on a non-stop plane bound for Boston from Seattle. Now place yourself among 400-plus passengers, 60% of which are talking on their cell phones. If you thought you had a problem with unruly passengers before, you ain't seen nothing yet! As a passenger you are confined to a seat (usually too cramped and small to begin with) sitting next to 1 or 2 people you don't know, and now you are forced to listen to their conversations. I have had to get up and move in airport waiting areas to get away from incessant, loud conversations telling me more than I ever wanted to know about complete strangers. I'd like to see all of you decision-making people on one of those 5 hour flights with all those cell phone users. My guess would be that you would say "NO" loud and clear to this ridiculous idea of allowing cell phone use on airplanes.

The world will not come to an end if the business traveler or the talkative passenger cannot make their "important" phone call. People didn't think smokers could do without cigarettes during flights, but smokers seem to be managing just fine.

Airline travel has undergone a slide in services consistently over the past 20 years. The only respite a traveler has today is the peace and quiet afforded during the flight. The cacophony of multiple cell phone conversations could add another job to the flight attendant.....peacemaker among unruly passengers.

Ban cell phones on airline flights!

Upset in Seattle,

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ON AIRLINES, Please

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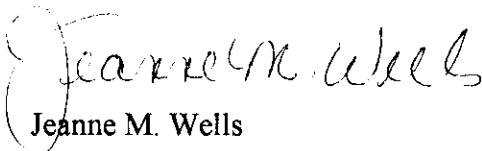
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Re: Lifting the ban on cellphones on airlines

Dear FCC:

The sheer idea of lifting the ban on cellphones on airlines is chilling. Although I use a cellphone, I think they have their place. I don't drive using one, stand in grocery lines or walk down the street screaming into a cellphone. The idea of being stuck next to, and surrounded by, people screaming into their phones for hours is dreadful. People have and will continue to survive their time on a plane trip without having to use a cellphone. Given everything I've been reading, it seems the vast majority of the public are against the idea. I haven't read one good reason why the ban should be lifted, other than the fact that technology may have changed so that the phones won't interfere with the plane's equipment. So it won't interfere. That's not reason enough to annoy the majority of the passengers. Please consider this very carefully and leave the ban in place. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne M. Wells". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jeanne M. Wells

To the FCC (on cell phones in airplanes):

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Is there no end to the recent indignities visited upon frequent flyers such as myself, who have travelled the "friendly skies" for nigh on to fifty years. We have seen a gradual regression in accommodation and comfort for passengers over the years: cramped seating, pathetic lessening of food quality, flight delays, frustrating security measures, etc. I realize that overseas customers are always a captive clientele (no passenger liners as in days of yore). But now comes the unkindest cut of all, an idea to legitimize the use of cell phones on board aircraft. And this at a time when I hear and read accounts of people wondering what they can do to avoid interruption and distraction and unwanted noise on long flights, apart from using head phones or ear plugs. Allowing the random use of cell phones would be the most regressive move of all, and, frankly, beyond comprehension!

Frank Roberts

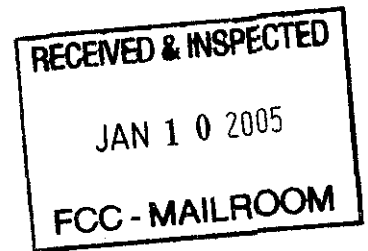
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December 27, 2004

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Washington, DC 20054



Dear Sir or Madam:

It has come to my attention that cell phones may soon be allowed on airlines. Please tell me this is not true.

Everywhere I go there is someone on a cell phone letting the world know what is going on in their life. I really don't care about their sex lives, what the kids are doing in school or how the neighbors are such bores. I'm tired of waiting in the grocery line just to hear a loud mouth person on a cell phone going on and on about whatever it is that is important in their life at the moment. Many people are very inconsiderate and very loud when talking on the cell phones and I for one do not want them on the airlines. Airline seats are very close together and there is hardly any room for a private phone call to be made without disturbing the passenger next to him.

Perhaps they could be allowed in the first class section as there is more room between the seats but please, please do not allow them in the coach section. Often a trip is long and tiring and if a person is sitting next to you and on a cell phone it would be almost impossible to rest comfortably.

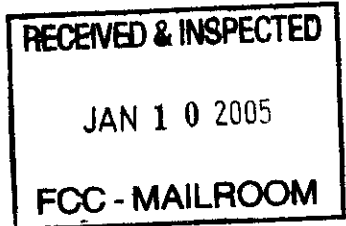
I respectfully request that the use of cell phones on airlines continue to be banned.

Very truly yours,


Patricia Locastro

Mr E.C. Williamson
1530 Sunrise Circle
Carlsbad, CA 92008-3648

January 1, 2005



Federal Communications Commission,
Office of the Secretary,
445 12th St, SW Room TW-B204,
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr Secretary,

Ban Cell Phones on Airliners in Flight

Further to my letter of December 28th, 2004, here are some more newspaper items which show that the majority of the traveling public is against having cell phones on airline flights while they are in the air.

It is well known that the cell phones and the technology is not by itself the problem. On the contrary, cell phones, when used properly are a valuable tool. Some cell phone users have finally got the message and have learned to vacate the area when using their phone. It is the large number of users who are difficult to educate, and it seems, will never get the message that it is impolite to force everyone within earshot to endure their loud, irrelevant, conversation.

When passengers are trapped in an enclosed area, it is impossible to escape rude, thoughtless, individuals. Airline passengers will have paid for a quiet, peaceful flight. Airline travel is tough enough without being subjected to cell phone mistreatment and the inevitable rancor and strife.

A couple of days ago, I was at the local bakery/café to buy a pastry. As I entered, a customer in the café received a cell phone call, she promptly went outside to answer it. There was a lady who was moving back and forth in front of the glass display-case containing the pastry offerings. About half a minute later, I realized that she was on a cell phone. She was blathering away, completely absorbed with herself and the person on the other end of the line. Finally, I, and the other three customers, were forced to go around this lady to make our selections, come back around her again and pay. Even after we three customers were finished and leaving the store, this lady was still chatting and wandering back and forth in front of the display case, completely unaware of the trouble she had caused.

Amazing !!

Even today, there are some who will not be educated in basic manners. Please do not let us be tortured by the uneducated on airline flights.

Thank You,

Mr Eric C. Williamson Phone 760-729-8485

CELL PHONE LETTER PUSHED THE WRONG BUTTON

I read reader David Choice's sweeping generalization that all cell phone haters are technophobes ("So who hates cell phones? Technophobes," Letters, Dec. 27). I use a computer on a daily basis, have power windows and door locks in my car and a universal remote — none of which I'm afraid to use. However, I also have a cell phone I'm not afraid to use — it's just not a permanent part of my anatomy.

This past weekend, I was near someone whose cell phone rang during a movie. The caller went to the back of the theater to talk, but didn't leave the theater until the annoyed audience told him to. That's not technophobia — that's lack of consideration, bordering on abuse.

If the Federal Aviation Administration decides to roll back the restriction, how would you like to be on a trans-Atlantic flight listening to the person in the next seat talk on a cell phone for the entire trip?

I personally feel that if someone's life is so incredibly overbooked that they can't turn their phone off for more than two hours to enjoy a sunny afternoon or a quiet dinner, it's time to re-evaluate that life.

DAVID A. THALER
North Park

I had to laugh at the letter. I think David Choice must be talking on his cell phone when he doesn't notice all the bad manners people display while on cell phones in public.

It is rude to talk loudly or softly about personal things into a phone when someone is trying to wait on

you in a store, get around you in an aisle, drive behind you while you're distracted, or have your undivided attention when having a conversation in person.

No, it has nothing to do with hating cell phones or technology, but everything to do with manners and common courtesy.

KAREN GALBRAITH
Poway

David Choice made some broad assertions, every one of which is probably wrong.

It is not the technology that I object to, but the ill-mannered lout in the row behind me at the theater who insists it is his God-given right to talk in a normal voice while the rest of us are trying to watch a movie. It's the tourist at the back of the Wild Animal Park shuttle who lets her child talk to relatives back home, at full blast and in the native tongue, while everyone else misses the opportunity to learn about the white rhino.

It is the clod who answers his cell phone in the middle of a lecture hall, mid-lecture, to talk about the day's events. And it is the horrifying concept that I'll be trapped in an airplane with someone who believes he is talking at a normal voice level while he's really shouting.

To paraphrase the gun lobby, cell phones don't cause loud conversations — people cause loud conversations.

ROB WEINBERG
Rancho Bernardo

You can fight back against thoughtless people who use cell phones near you in an airliner. Pull out your harmonica and blow. The less you know about playing the thing, the better.

The ultimate response for an airline passenger stuck next to a cell phone user, of course, would be to squirm your way to overhead luggage to haul out your cymbals, then put your heart into the finale of the "1812 Overture."

JIMMY THORNTON
Bay Park

I fly 20-25 times a year and I do use a cell phone on the plane when approved by the airline. But with the Federal Communications Commission giving the go ahead to look at using cell phones in flight, trouble lies ahead in the unfriendly skies. I occasionally catch a catnap on flights but with increased chatter with cell phone usage, I doubt that will happen.

I urge the FAA to take a strong look at cell phone usage and demand that headsets be used. I also urge the airlines to possibly set up sections of the aircraft that are "no cell phone zones."

DANA LEVIN
Chula Vista

The issue is common courtesy. I don't want to share your phone conversation during my entire airplane flight, or during my restaurant meal.

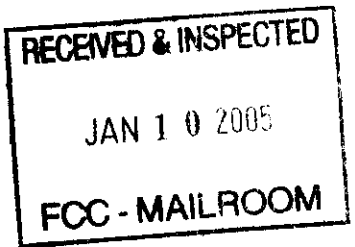
BRUCE H. WARREN
San Diego

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Another view RICHARD KEMPLIN



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I strongly object to lifting the ban on cell phones on airplanes. To do so would only create hostility and would disturb other people who desire quiet time.

If phones are to be allowed, they should be restricted to a suitable area, such as in the rear of the plane.

The cell phone callers should plan to make their calls before boarding the plane, between stops, or after landing.

Harry K. Sleicher

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harry K. Sleicher".

HAND-HELD DEVICES PASSENGERS WILL SOON BE USING IN FLIGHT...



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